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Jerry Piotrowski
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Presidents Comments

With the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, the Elizabethan era of stamp collecting has come to an end although undoubtedly, we will continue to see stamps and souvenir sheets issued commemorating various highlights of her long reign of over 70 years.

Now that Charles III has become king, we are in the “Carolean era.” Philatelic items with Charles’s image on them have started to be issued by various postal entities including Canada. It will take some time though before enough material is available to form collections of Charles III stamps and even longer to produce displays or exhibits. Since people use electronic media more and more for communicating with others and there is a huge decline in the use of mail services it probably makes sense for us philatelists to hang on to any items of mail that we receive that has Charles III stamps on them, especially ones used early in his reign.

Many local clubs often get enquiries from the public as to what to do with inherited or no longer wanted stamp collections from a person’s youth. Most clubs have someone designated to handle such requests. The advice given varies from asking if there is a family member such as a grandchild or niece or nephew who might be interested in stamp collecting, to referring the person to a local dealer or an auction house if it is believed that there is a reasonable commercial value to the collection or accumulation.

Another option given is to ask if the person is willing to donate the material to the stamp club where it can be used for a youth program if the club has one or put the items into club auctions with the proceeds used to offset the club’s operating expenses. If donating to the club is used, it would be appropriate to not only give a verbal thank you but also send a note from the club executive.

Since I am aware of an incident at a GTAPA member club where a donation was made and later the donor asked for it back (in the meantime part of it had been auctioned off) it makes sense to do what that club now does with donated lots. They have a form that states, ***“Stamp collection donated to the (name of club) as a generous unrestricted gift.”*** The form is then signed by the person donating and is kept in the club’s records. I suggest your club have a similar form available.

Respectfully,

Jerry Piotrowski,
President, GTAPA



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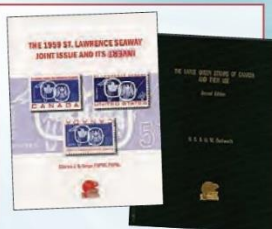


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PhilaJournal Summer 2023 issue notes.

Welcome to the “Summer” issue and welcome to GTAPA’s latest Member: Cobourg Stamp Club.

Please check their upcoming COPEX Show and their Club’s history plus administrative information in this issue.

GOOD READER AWARD from issue #83 went to Joseph Perrone, a WTSC member. Congratulations! I received ONLY 2 submissions. Was it really that hard to find...

HOW TO GET “GOOD READER AWARD”: somewhere in this issue is the GTAPA logo, this size, but not this one ☺.



Sid Mensinga, President of WTSC, presented Joseph with his prize.

The contest continues in this issue. It is open to members, in good standing, with one of the clubs that make up GTAPA. The membership will be validated with that Club. The winner must agree to have their name and picture printed in the PhilaJournal. When you find the logo, please send an email to philajournal@gmail.com, and write the *PhilaJournal* number and the page number in the subject line (i.e., PhilaJournal #84, page XX) plus your info.

The contest starts right after the GTAPA Secretary (Paul Delongchamp) broadcasts to your Club’s Directors and Executives that the latest issue of the *PhilaJournal* is posted on the www.gtapa.org website. They in turn are supposed to notify their Club.

Our readership is constantly increasing, and readers come from all over the world. Consider writing an article on the philatelic subject that best interests you. It is a rewarding feeling to see it in ‘print’ and you are leaving your thoughts and experiences to future generations to read and learn from. Remember that anything uploaded to the internet will be there forever, long after we are gone. Another great news – this issue has the most CLUB NEWS EVER! Club Directors, keep up the great work of sharing your accomplishments with other Clubs. We all learn from each other.

WELCOME: COBOURG STAMP CLUB

Introduction by Rob Stickan

The Cobourg Stamp was formed in 1960 when Canadian army personnel, who were stationed at the former Supply Depot located at the northeast end of Cobourg, shared a mutual interest in Philately with local collectors. The Club is a chapter member #106 of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

Cobourg Stamp Club held its first COPEX exhibition in 1966 and became an annual event in 1969. The COPEX show features Exhibits, member's auctions and consignment sales, and several stamp dealers.

The club welcomes all guests to our regular club meetings. Upcoming events: August 9 Silent Table Auction & September 23 COPEX Show & Bourse.

We currently have 32 active members. Our club Executives:

President: Malcolm Pacey 905-885-2697

Treasurer: **Rob Stickan** 905-786-2342 chevy4life@hotmail.com (**GTAPA**)

Executive Members: David Goreski, Al Zanata, Joan Tooke, Ted Lichacz

Club Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. at Salvation Army Citadel, 59 Ballantine Street, Cobourg.

Mailing Address: Cobourg Stamp Club, PO Box 352, Port Hope ON L1A 3W4. (No meetings in July or December)

COPEX 2023 Annual Club Show & Bourse is on September 23, 2023

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The NYPS Stamp Show on April 29th, 2023

The Society held its first show since the reopening of the Club on April 29th



Considering that the Club had reopened its doors only in December 2022 and that unfortunately only 14 of the old members had been retained and that the show was going to take place in a new location, all of us felt very nervous about how many people we could attract to this event. In addition to that at the last minute, 2 dealers had to cancel their participation due to health issues. However, the members of the Club did a very good job in promoting this first stamp show at the other club meetings and at the major stamp shows in Ontario, in addition to the promotion made by the Club in the press and on their Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/589771185927047/>

As a result, about 60 people showed up at the Edithvale Community Center during the day and the dealers were kept busy for all the 6 hours of the show.



The comments received by visitors and dealers at the end of the day were very encouraging. Most visitors and all the dealers plan to come back to our next show, which will take place towards the end of 2023.

At the end of the day, we also managed to enroll 3 new members, which brings the total of new members enrolled from the day of our reopening in December 2022 to 25. [Ed.: It is 50 at the time of publishing] This is on average 5 new members per month in the last 5 months. Probably this is a new record because none of us has ever heard of a Club capable of enrolling an average of 5 new members per month. This is definitely a confirmation that the Club is now alive and well and is here to stay.

There is still a lot to do to bring this Club to the level of standards that the best Stamp Clubs have in Ontario but on this special day, April 29th has given us a strong sign that we are on the right track and has given us a big boost in terms of confidence and self-esteem.

We would like to thank all those who have supported us and believed in us when we started the project of relaunching a “dormant” club. Without their help, we would not be where we are today.

Our Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month at the same location of the show at 131 Finch avenue west from 6 to 9 p.m. We hope to see some of you at one of our next meetings, we hope that some of you will decide to become members of our Club.



THE NORTH YORK PHILATELIC SOCIETY (NYPS) CELEBRATING 70th ANNIVERSARY. WE ARE BACK!

Our club reopened its doors in December 2022.

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We plan to have at least one dealer table at each meeting, plenty of 10 cents books, a members' table, or a short auction of 40 to 50 items. Each meeting has a special theme.

THE PROGRAM FOR THE NEXT FEW MEETINGS:

June 5 (Mon)	Meeting with Focus on European Countries
June 12 (Mon)	On-Line Auction via a Zoom Meeting
June 21	Meeting with Focus on Covers
July 5	Club Zoom Meeting
July 24 (Mon)	On-Line Auction via a Zoom Meeting
August 2	Club Zoom Meeting
Aug. 22 (Tue)	On-Line Auction via a Zoom Meeting
September 6	Meeting with Focus on Topicals
Sept. 11 (Mon)	On-Line Auction via a Zoom Meeting
September 20	Meeting with Focus on Asian-Pacific Countries

We are present on Facebook; the website is in the works.

For any information, please contact Mattia Guida (President):
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All visitors are welcome.

Denzil Fernandes
West Toronto Stamp Club
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Ratty, Tatty Covers

Featuring: Good Cursive Handwriting Styles

These letters from the past would appeal to only a few collectors as they have been torn or damaged with the passage of time. However, as the handwriting and postal inscriptions are still legible and postage stamps have withstood wear and tear, they convey a great deal of information about the town they were mailed from as seen in their named postmarks and make good space fillers. Many of the early letters expressed many emotions of family relationships when sent across or would have been business or government correspondence.



1894, Letter, with a Squared Circle of Town *Unknown* (Hamilton Transit), to Manchester, England. Stamps closeup and back cancels below



Someone has said of old letters, that when they see the language, style, or spelling(s) in old letter(s), they think of how different they are when compared to the very short text messages (using misspelled words or abbreviated spellings) that are now sent on cell phones, in millions. Letter writing seems

to be an art that is disappearing in favour of instant messages. Future postal & social historians are going to be out of luck!



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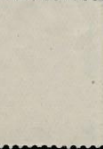
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Canada #71
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XF-Sup 95
CV \$600
Realized \$1,228



Lot 163
Canada #75
Mint XFNH
CV \$240
Realized \$526



Lot 213
Canada #100
Mint NH
XF-Sup 95
CV \$600
Realized \$1,111



Lot 244
Canada #115
Mint XFNH
CV \$180
Realized \$351



Lot 306
Canada #135
Mint XFNH
CV \$210
Realized \$438



Lot 413
Canada #F2
Mint VFNH
CV \$600
Realized \$1,404



Lot 305
Canada #MR7iii
Mint XFNH
CV \$1,500
Realized \$3,159

Our 2023 schedule of auctions continues - see our website for updates.

April 4 to 6, 2023 – General Public Auction including:

- the Thomas Meyerhof Collection of Canada and BNA
- the Victor L. Willson collection of Canadian Victorian era stationery post card rates and destinations
- the “Sapphire” collection of British East Asia stamps and postal history, stationery and first flights
- a lovely collection of early worldwide first flights and airmail covers
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The Ajax-Pickering Stamp & Coin Show Report.

The Ajax-Pickering Stamp and Coin Show was held Sunday, April 30 2023 at Chestnut Hill Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering. The show opened at 9:30 am. With free admission, and a ticket for a chance to win a giveaway provided by Canada Post.

The show was an impressive success attracting nearly 200 collectors. The show featured twenty-two coin and stamp dealers, free giveaways were announced every half hour. Raffle tickets were sold for seven valuable philatelic prizes. The first prize was \$300.00. Before the show opened, dealers and volunteers were provided with coffee, water, fresh muffins, and doughnuts courtesy of club member Ralph Ashley.

For the show, club member, Steve Gadsden sold out his impressive variety of sandwiches, delicious hot chilli, special desserts, and a choice of beverages. Club members could be seen wearing bright orange shirts displaying club logos acting as ambassadors with the dealers and assisting collectors with information. Teens and preteens were directed to an area featuring starter kits and free stamps to encourage new members. Audrey Mercer was presented with a GTAPA Certificate of Merit by Paul Delongchamp, President in recognition of her long-standing devotion to the club since 1987.

A special thanks to all the volunteers and club members who made the show a resounding success.





No Captions, just enjoy the show. Orange T's – what a great idea!





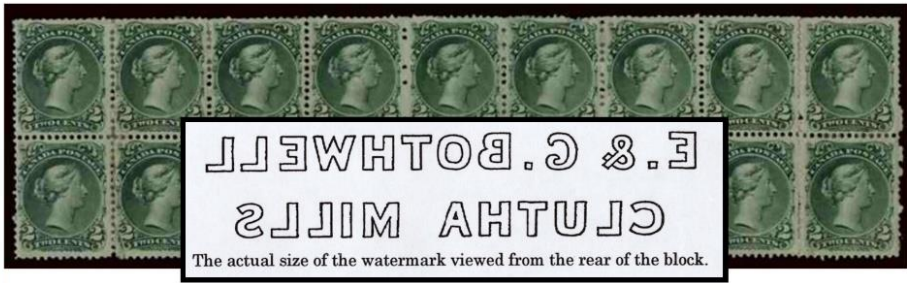
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A very successful Show for Georgian Bay Collectors

The Georgian Bay Coin and Stamp Club had a successful Stamp Show and circuit book event in conjunction with the Barrie District Stamp Club, Owen Sound, and the WTSC on April 22, 2023.

80 stamp collectors registered including several new prospective members for the GBCSC. The 318-lot stamp auction was very lively and productive. Everyone was pleased with the results.



Figure 1: Nancy Clark, VP Of the Wasaga Beach chapter is standing in front of our GBCSC signage with Ian McRuer holding one of the many prizes that were given away during Saturday, April 22nd event.

Continues on next page...



Figure 2: Crowd intently buying stamps while another prize of the Club's specially created Nancy stamps on War of 1812 covers were given away.



Figure 3: Ted Kupka (right), President of the Barrie Stamp Club, helped arrange all the Lots on our joint auction table.



Figure 4: Norm Kenwell, one of our longest members, is standing beside the Club's display of the Nancy stamps which are in front of the Club donations from George Potopynyk.

Pictures 1, 2 & 3 are compliments of the Beach BOOSTER Media Group.

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1854 England to Bombay, India – My Favourite Cover



1854, March 26, family letter from England to Bombay (now Mumbai), India addressed to Theodore C Hope who was one of the architectural photographer and author who worked at the Civil Services Offices in Bombay alongside with Colonel Biggs of the Bombay Artillery, who also was an architectural photographer in Bombay. His photographs of Ahmedabad are early documents of the splendor of the architectural beauty of that city.

This is a letter sent to British colonies by packet mail after the colonies received responsibility for their own Post Offices (England to India). It had a Red 1/- applied in manuscript.



The Back Stamp

INTERESTING FACTS:

From the book by Jane and Michael Moubray, “*British Letter Mail to Overseas Destinations 1840 to UPU*” (2nd ed.). Section 1.2 page 2: **Ship Letters**.

By 1840, the term “Ship Letter” was used to denote any letter carried by a privately owned vessel as opposed to one sent by a regular contract or Admiralty packet. Since the first Post Office Act of 1657 the regulation and charges for Ship mail had been contentious. Under the law, ships’ masters were required to carry any letters entrusted to their care and deliver them to the postmaster at their port of arrival. The act provided neither carrot nor whip as there was no payment for the service nor penalty for failure, consequently, evasions were widespread.

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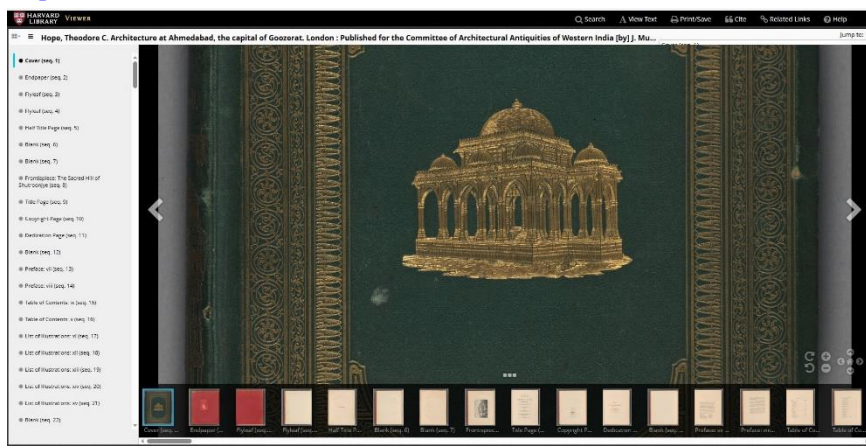
Letters sent to British colonies by packet mail after they received responsibility for their own Post Offices were, for many years, either stamped with the well known red 1d, or had a red 1 applied in manuscript. This denoted the amount (for a single rate) which was due to them for internal postage. Ship letter charges and registration fees, when divided, were always shared in the ratio half to the colony and half to the mother country.

A line on page 261 states as follows "...Although the Indian Post Office had been established as a legal entity in 1837, it is not credited with the customary 1d per rate on letters from Britain until September 1856; but when Registration was introduced in July of the following year the fee was shared equally as were the fines imposed on underpaid mail from the date of their introduction, September 1858. During the same year experiments in sorting on board ships were conducted.

More about Mr. Hope.

One of T C Hope's book is held at the Fine Arts Library, Harvard College Library, and may be viewed in page-turner format via persistent link at

<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:FHCL:4790636>



MORE RATTY, TATTY COVERS

IN NEXT ISSUE...

DO YOU HAVE ONE TO SHARE?

BNAPLEX 2023 HALIFAX



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Halifax, Nova Scotia**

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Bramalea Stamp Club School Programme

After a three-year gap due to the pandemic, the Bramalea Stamp Club was again able to engage with students at a local school by introducing them to stamps and stamp collecting. Whereas in previous years several classes combined to view each presentation this year the presentation involved just one Grade 5 class of 22 students. Teacher Andrew Kinal, who along with Eva Tsapas was instrumental in 2016 in getting the club to prepare the program, invited us to his present school Alloa Public School in Caledon. Ingo Nessel and Bob Thorne and I gladly accepted.

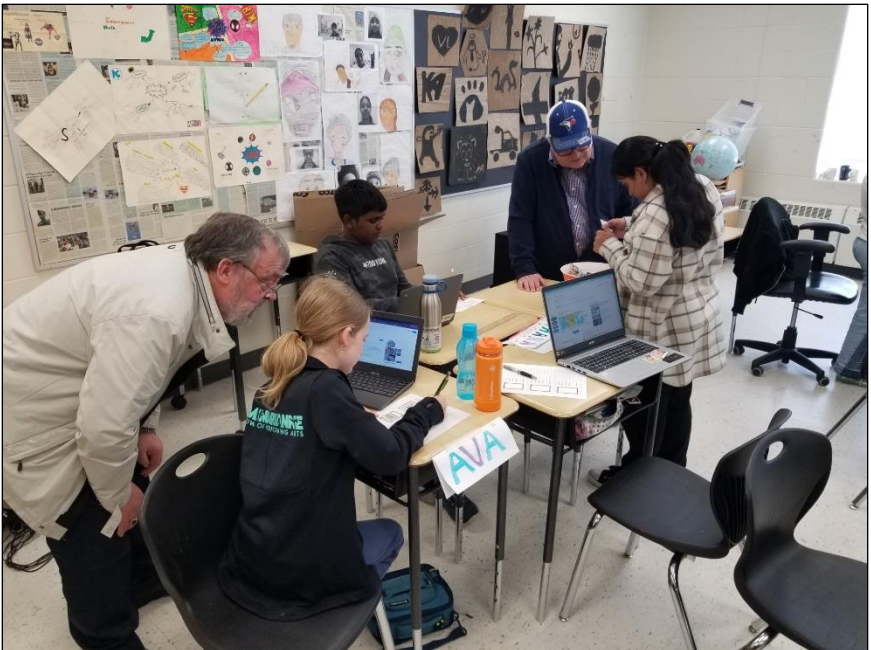
A few weeks prior to the actual presentation I had delivered a good quantity of worldwide stamps to the school and Andrew was able to show his class a YouTube video presentation by “StampCat.”

Following the modified PowerPoint presentation by Ingo, along with interaction by the students, the class proceeded with an assignment. Each student had to pick out a stamp from three different countries, use a dab of glue stick to adhere them to a prepared worksheet and then provide the following information for each stamp. Country of origin, continent (Turkey incidentally is on two continents namely Europe and Asia), the currency used, the image on the stamp and population of the country. Of course, the students had access to Chrome Book computers so could determine that stamps with the wording Magyar were from Hungary and those with Suomi were from Finland. Meanwhile, Ingo, Bob and I circulated among the students and helped answer questions.





Bob Thorne (left), Jerry Piotrowski (light jacket) and Ingo Nessel (blue jacket) talking with students.



Jerry Piotrowski (front) and Ingo Nessel (back) are answering questions.



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GTAPA CLUBS – WHAT IS NEW – SUMMER 2023

Ajax-Pickering Stamp Club

By Editor

Check Club's website at <https://ajax-stamp-club.webnode.page/> for the latest news and upcoming events. The Club has resumed in-person meetings. The Ajax-Pickering Stamp & Show WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. Check the article and pictures in this issue.

Bramalea Stamp Club

By Editor

Check Club's website, its all nice and new: <https://bramaleastampclub.org/> They are doing something no other Club does, they take the hobby to school children. Check Jerry Piotrowski's article in this issue.

Cobourg Stam Club

By Editor

This Club has just joined GTAPA. Check their history and info plus an ad for the September Show, the COPEX, in this issue.

Fenelon Stamp Club, The

By Mark Armstrong <msaphilaticstudio@msn.com>

April 11th, Fenelon Stamp Club president Jim Breadner (right) presented



Yvan Racine with the GTAPA Certificate of Merit. Yvan has been very instrumental in developing a Facebook page for the Club, keeping communities informed of our happenings and events. Yvan has also done much work

over the years administrating the needs to function our annual Fenpex show. Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/430876915603873/> News from Fenelon SC continues the next page...



Fenlon Stamp Club president Jim Breadner (right) presents the GTAPA Certificate of Merit to Jim Frazer. For years, Jim has served as the club's secretary, treasurer, and man of all trades, doing all the last-minute phone calls, and keeping all the

members up to date on meeting activities. Jim also plays a vital role each year on the organizing committee for Fenpex, the annual show. Thanks, Jim.

Georgian Bay Coin & Stamp Club

By Editor

The Georgian Bay Coin and Stamp Club held their First Annual Stamp Event on Saturday, April 22, 2023, in Wasaga Beach. It was a great success. Check the story and pictures in this issue.

Insurance & Banking Philatelic Society

By Editor

The group has been dormant during Covid. Let us know what you're up to.

Kawartha Stamp Club

By Editor

The Club held another stellar show on April 23 of this year. Congratulations!

Markham Stamp Club

By Editor

The Club is publishing a regular newsletter which is distributed to all the GTAPA Directors. If you do not get one, please speak to your Club's Director (in **blue** on Club Directory pages) or contact their communications Director: Klaus Hintz, Sojourner2@bell.net

North Toronto Stamp Club

By Klaus Hintz <ntsc.president@gmail.com>



During the March 23rd meeting Les Selby, our Membership Chair presented Mattia Guida, our former President and volunteer par excellence, the GTAPA Certificate of Merit.

North York Philatelic Society

By Mattia Guida <stampsofitaly@yahoo.ca>

The NYPS reaches 50 members!!

On May 21st the NYPS reached its target of 50 members. When the Club reopened in December 2022 and only 14 old members (now 18) decided to return to the Club, the hope of the Club team was to double the membership in the first year of activity to ensure that the Club could sustain itself and could have the potential to remain active in the long term. None of us would have ever expected that in 6 months we could almost triple our membership. This has been the merit of a few very enthusiastic members who have dedicated long hours and a lot of extra effort to find new ways to attract members. With the restart of our Stamp Show and the launch of our monthly online auctions, we have seen new members coming in every week and we have even been able to attract 7 new members from out of town which is something totally new for this Club.

Having reached this important milestone of 50 members we feel much more confident that the NYPS is here to stay and to give its important contribution to the development of stamp collecting in the Toronto area.

Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Stamp Groups

By Larry Friend <lfriend@sympatico.ca>

A big auction was held on Thursday, March 30th, apparently, it was a biggie!

Polish Canadian Coin & Stamp Club “Troyak”

By Tom Malicki <tom.malicki@gmail.com>

The next show is on December 3, 2023. Few tables are still available if you are a stamp dealer. See the advertisement in this issue or go to the website at www.troyakclub.com.

SOSSI, Maple Leaf Chapter

By Editor

The Club is ready for a busy summer 2023.

Toronto Stamp Collectors’ Club

By Editor

The Toronto Stamp Collectors’ Club is back and busy. Hope they will share their stories for the next issue.

Trenton Stamp Club

By Editor

Planning for 2023 is in progress. Please share with us.

Ukrainian Collectibles Society (Toronto)

By Editor

Please visit their website for the latest news and information. It is very elaborate and filled with diverse content <https://www.upns.org/>

West Toronto Stamp Club

By Editor

Check the website (<http://www.westtorontostampclub.org/index.htm>) and read the regularly issued and widely distributed Bulletin.

GTAPA June to September 2023 Zoom Meetings:

June 28, 2023, Zoom Meeting @ 19:00 (7:00 pm) ET.

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July – No Meeting

August 23, 2023, Zoom Meeting @ 19:00 (7:00 pm) ET.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81061619484>

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JOKE: How does a DNA molecule moisten a stamp? Helix it! (upjoke.com)

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JOKE: Today I went to the post office to mail 20 letters... so I bought 20 stamps... and the clerk just handed them to me. So I said "Am I supposed to stick all these on myself?"...and she said, "No. Stick them on the envelopes.." (upjoke.com)

FOR SALE: RUSSIA off-paper. Large collection of Russian covers from the 1960s and 1970s. Interesting caches and postmarks. Contact: kadihobby@gmail.com (2)

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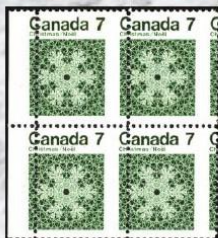
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<https://ajax-stamp-club.webnode.page/>

Bramalea Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #144

Meets twice a month. On the 1st Sun. from 2 to 4 pm (October to June) and the 3rd Tue. from 7 to 9 pm (year-round) at Terry Miller Recreation Complex, Williams Parkway (between Dixie Rd and Bramalea Rd.), Brampton.

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Mike Lalonde: Mike17centCanadastamps@gmail.com

NEW: Cobourg Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #106

Meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month (except July and December) from 6 to 8:30 pm in the Salvation Army Citadel, 59 Ballantine Street, Cobourg.

Rob Stickan (Treasurer), 905-786-2342 chevy4life@hotmail.com

Fenelon Stamp Club, The

RPSC Chapter #176

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except Aug., Oct., and Dec.) at 7 pm in the Salvation Army Church, 42 Bond St. W. in Fenelon Falls (W. of Colbourne St.)

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Wasaga Beach Chapter

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Prime-Time Club, 1724 Mosley Street in Wasaga Beach

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Insurance & Banking Philatelic Society RPSC Chapter #82

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Robert Pinate ntsc.programchair@gmail.com

<https://www.northtorontostampclub.ca/home>

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Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Stamp Groups RPSC Chapter #230

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Brooklin: Wed. 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Brooklin Comm. Centre, 8 Vipond Rd.

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Polish-Canadian Coin & Stamp Club "Troyak" RPSC Ch. #240

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John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd., Mississauga

Tom Malicki 905-281-0000, tom.malicki@gmail.com **Robert Owczarz**

robertow05@gmail.com **info@troyakclub.com** **www.troyakclub.com**

Scarborough Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #223

Meets 3rd Tue. each month (except July & August) at Cedarbrook Comm. Centre, RM 1 & 2 on the main floor. 91 East Park Blvd. (near Markham and Lawrence).

Doug Cockburn 416-757-4072; **Ron Dell'Agnese** rdellagnese@rogers.com

Scouts on Stamps Society International RPSC Chapter #242

SOSSI, Maple Leaf Chapter

Meets via Zoom at 7 pm on the third Sunday of the month.

GTAPA members are welcome, email Rose van Sickle at rosevs@wightman.ca

Tony Manson 416-447-4281

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Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club

RPSC Chapter #238

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month (except July and Aug) at the V. G. Greene Foundation, 10 Summerhill Avenue.

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Mike Graf 416-534-6936

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Trenton Stamp Club

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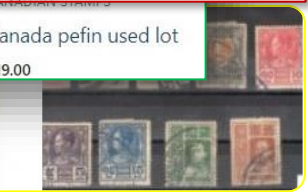
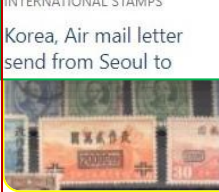
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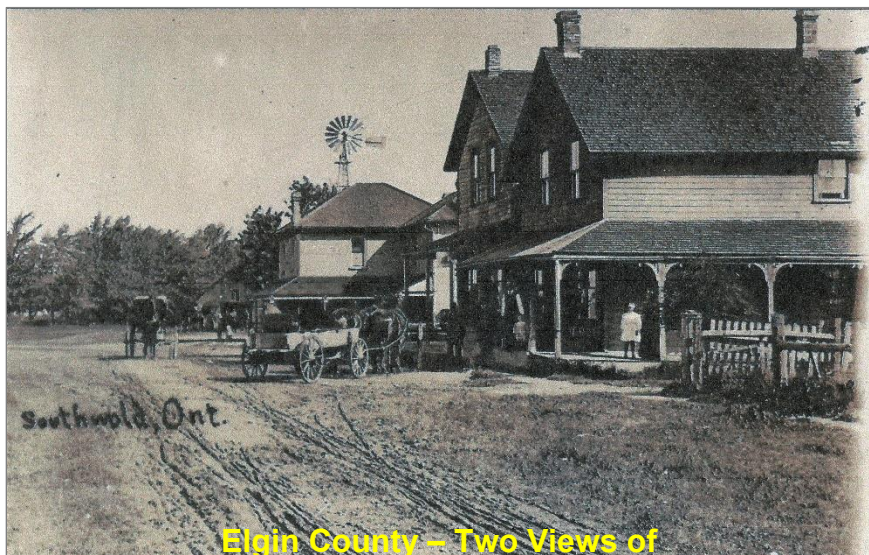
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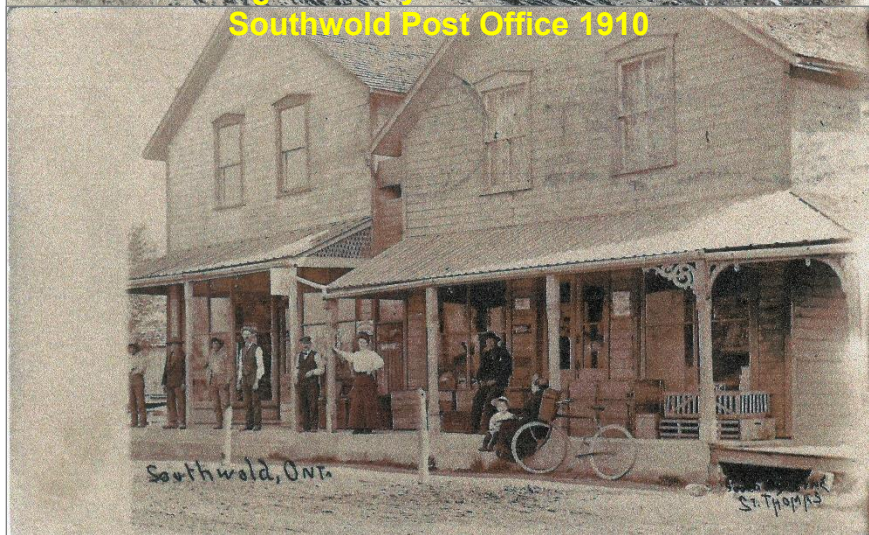
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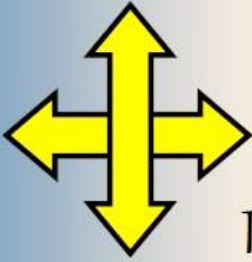
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